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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,354,918.

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MANAGER.—EDWARD CAMERON, Esq.
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INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.

For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.

Deposits granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 14, 1884. 1161

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have this day Admitted as a
PARTNER in our Firm Mr. WILLIAM
SNELL ORE.

Our PARTNERS now are Mr. THOMAS
DEAS BOYD, Mr. EDWARD NEILSON
ROSE, Mr. THOMAS COVIL and Mr.
WILLIAM SNELL ORE.

BOYD & CO.

Amyo, 1st July, 1884. 1086

NOTICE.

WE have from this Date ESTABLISHED
our BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and
COMMISSION AGENTS, and have authorized
Mr. TO SEO YOU 壮少游 and Mr.
WEE KO PEI 魏高丕 to Manage
our Business and sign our Firm.

SWEE HIN LEONG,
瑞興隆
48, Bonham Strand, West.
Hongkong, July 8, 1884. 1123

Intimations.

APPEL D'OFFRES.

ON fait savoir à tous ceux qu'il apparaît:
Que les personnes qui voudraient concourir pour le renouvellement du steamer
Nantoufou, 1518 Tonnes de jauge, pourraient faire dans le port de Saigon, devant déposer leur soumission au Greffe du Tribunal de la
Première instance de Saigon, d'ici au 21 Août 1884, à 6 heures du soir dernier délai.

Le 22 Août 1884 à 7 heures du matin des
commissions, en faveur de l'offre la plus
avantageuse.

Chaque soumission cachetée, écrite en
français avec signature légalisée par le Com-
mune de France de la localité, doit indiquer:

Le prix demandé pour relayer, ren-
fluer et mettre en dock le dit steamer, le
prix payable sentence en cas de succès.

Le temps demandé pour conduire à fin les opérations.

Le vapeur est coulé par 12 mètres de
profondeur moyenne.

Pour plus amples renseignements s'adres-
ser à Saigon à

M. M. F. ENGLER & CO.,
Consignataires

1163 S. S. Stolzenfels.

HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS,
WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the
Public of Hongkong and the Coast
Ports that he will RE-OPEN.

THE HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS
on the 1st March.

The whole of the ROOMS have been
NEWLY FURNISHED throughout, and there
are ROOMS suitable for either MARRIED
COUPLES or SINGLE PERSONS.

The TABLE will be supplied with the
BEST market can provide.

The WINES and LIQUORS supplied
both in Bar and Table will be of the
VERY BEST BRANDS.

GENTLEMEN desirous of taking Meals,
such as TIFFINS and DINNERS, can
have ALL REQUISITE information by
applying to

GEORGE STAINFIELD,
Proprietor

Hongkong, February 23, 1884. 368

Intimations.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extra-
ordinary MEETING of the CHINA
SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LTD., will be held at the Company's
Office, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 12.30 p.m., to Confirm the
following Special Resolution passed at the
Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders held
on the 8th Instant:

That at the end of No. 121 of the Articles
of Association, there be added the following
Words, that is to say:

'Provided always that the General Agents
and Consulting Committee may in their
absolute discretion at any time or times
and from time to time declare and pay to the Shareholders an
interim Dividend of such amount as they shall think fit.'

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, July 8, 1884. 1129

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extra-
ordinary MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Company's
Office, No. 7, Queen's Road Central, at
12.45 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd
Instant, to Confirm the following Special
Resolution passed at the Extraordinary
Meeting of Shareholders held on the 8th
Instant:

That at the end of No. 117 of the Articles
of Association, there be added the following
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Hongkong, April 26, 1884. 115

For Sale.

NEW SEASON'S TEA.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. have Received their Supply of
their well-known PRESENT TEA.

'THE CUMSHAW MIXTURE'

in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.

They are now forwarding the first parcel to England, and will
be obliged by Orders from those who desire to have
Boxes sent to their friends.

PRICE:—\$ 7.50 per 5-catty Box) delivered FREE to any address
\$12.00 " 10-catty " in the United Kingdom.

Hongkong, June 30, 1884. 1083

NOTICE.

SAYLE & CO. beg to inform their Customers and the Public
in general that in consequence of the Death of the SENIOR
PARTNER, the BUSINESS carried on in HONGKONG will be
CLOSED.

On or before the 31st day of August Next,
AND THE WHOLE OF THE
STOCK is now offered at a REDUCTION of 25 per Cent.
on the Marked Prices.

Special terms will be made for parcels of Goods over \$100 in
value purchased at one time.

All Sales from this date will be for Cash only. Customers
are requested to make immediate Payment of Amounts due by
them to the late Firm.

SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, June 9, 1884. 561

OVERSTRUNG TRICORD COTTAGE
PIANOS,

by
NEUMAYER & CO., WEIDENSLAUFER & ROSENKRANZ.

THE CHINA MAIL.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISARIATE),
ARE NOW LANDING
FROM AMERICA.

**CALIFORNIA
RACKER**
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb.
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.
Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
CORNMEAL

TOPCAN BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
CODEFISH, Basslets.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF 25 lb. bags.
Bear Ideal SALMON in 5 lb. cans.
Cutting Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb. cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson's & Robbin's Celebrated Potted MEATS.

Lunch HAM.
Lamb TONGUES.
Oyster CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCOTASH.
Maple SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
LOBSTERS.
OYSTERS.
HONEY.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.
600 lb.
900 lb.
1,200 lb.

AGATE IRONWARE.
INSERTION RUBBER.
Fox's PATENT PACKING.

HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMPS.
PERFECTION STUDENT LAMPS.
LAWN BOWLS.

PNEUMATIC RIFLES.
REVOLVERS.
DERINGERS

PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
VARNISHES.

Ex-Works Arrivals from
ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
STORE S,

including:

ALMONDS and RAISINS.
FRENCH PLUMS.
TEYSNEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
JORDAN ALMONDS.

Fine YORK HAMS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

Digby CHOCO.
Yarmouth BODATERS.
Kippered HERRINGS.
Herrings & MEDDIES.

LESH BACON in tins.
COQUETINA.
van HOUTEN'S COCOA.
BET'S COCOA.

SPARTAN

COOKING STOVES.

CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
BES' GRAVES, " "
BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT—
SACCOMAN MANZANILLA & AMON.
TILDO.
SACCOMAN OLD INVALID PORT
(1840).
HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
COURVOISIER'S BRANDY.
FINE OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KINMAN'S LIQUOR.
ROYAL BLENDIE WHISKY.
BOONE'S OLD TOM.
E. & J. JENKIN'S IRISH WHISKY.
ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.
NOILLY PRAT & CO.'S VERMOUTH.
JANESON'S WHISKY.
MARSA.
EASTERN CIDER.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
CURACAO.
ANGOSTURA, BAKER'S and ORANGE BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

draught ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 cent boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SALES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong June 14, 1884.

To Let.

TO BE LET.

NO. 6, UPPER MONQUITERRACE.
Possession from 1st May.
Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1884. 606

TO LET, FURNISHED.

TO LET, FURNISHED, No. 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
Apply to

MANAGER,
China Mail Office.

Hongkong, April 15, 1884. 656

TO LET.

NO. 233, PRAYA CENTRAL,
No. 4, 7 and 8, SYMOUR TERRACE,
No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (known as 'HAR-
PERVILLE').

No. 44, GRAHAM STREET.

Apply to

DAVID SASOON SONS & Co.

Hongkong, July 2, 1884. 1034

GODOWN S—T 6 L E T.
PRAYA EAST and WANGAI ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 26, 1884. 767

TO BE LET.

AFURNISHED HOUSE in one of the
TERRACES.

For Particulars, address

J. D. B.
c/o, China Mail Office.

Hongkong, March 26, 1884. 547

TO LET.

THE PREMISES in MARINE House,
Queen's Road, now occupied by the
NOVELTY STORE.

Apply to

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, July 14, 1884. 1168

TO LET.

THE PREMISES now occupied by us,
No. 11, Queen's Road CENTRAL.

For further Particulars apply to Messrs.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1884. 226

STORAGE.

THE Undersigned are prepared, from this
date, to take GOODS in STOREAGE

in their Office, GOOWERS, Paya Central.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, July 8, 1884. 1126

NOTICES to Consignees.

DRY DOCK AND PATENT SLIP,
NAGASAKI.

For Particulars, address

J. D. B.
c/o, China Mail Office.

Hongkong, March 26, 1884. 547

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**NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FROM BATAVIA, SINGAPORE,
AND SAIGON.

Hongkong, July 8, 1884. 1126

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THE CHINA MAIL.

which they may apply, on the subject of journalistic blackmailing; and these remarks we are sure will receive the attentive consideration of our readers.

The *Star in the East* next proceeds to deal with the Hongkong papers. It starts with the remark that these (the Hongkong papers) we know very little. There can be no question about the truth of that observation. The *Daily Press* is put down as on a par with the *North-China Mail*. This journal is then praised. The *Mail* used, says this bright particular *Star*, to be a creditable paper, but we now fill up our columns with extracts from home papers, we lack originality, and we are being extremely feeble, and as having greatly deteriorated in its management and circulation, perhaps our morning contemporary may feel inclined to have a word or two with the *Star in the East*. This journal is then praised. The *Mail* used, says this bright particular *Star*, to be a creditable paper, but we now fill up our columns with extracts from home papers, we lack originality, and we are being extremely feeble, and as having greatly deteriorated in its management and circulation, perhaps our morning contemporary may feel inclined to have a word or two with the *Star in the East*. This journal is then praised. The *Mail* used,

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THE SITUATION.

FRENCH DEMANDS REJECTED!

WAR PROBABLE.

GENERAL DEADLOCK.

DEPARTURE OF MAIL AGAIN POSTPONED.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO CHINA MAIL.

(Per E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

SHANGHAI, FRIDAY, 4 P.M.

The French demands have been rejected.

War probable.

The departure of the Mail has been postponed.

There is a general deadlock.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

(Passed CANAL—Leroux and Glanville Castle, June 26; Achilles, June 30.)

The next *FRANCE MAIL*, per the M. M. Co.'s S. S. *Natal* left Singapore on Thursday, the 17th instant, at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 24th instant.

S. S. *Pandora* left Singapore on the 13th instant for this port.

The S.S. *Gulliver* left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst.

The S. S. *Tanunda* left Port Darwin for this port on the 17th inst.

We have received a copy of Vol. I of His Excellency J. H. Ferguson's *Manual of International Law* and it shall be reviewed later on. It is most opportunely published.

Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co. inform us that the E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Tanundia*, Capt. S. G. Green, left Port Darwin on 17th inst., and is due here about 28th inst.

In addition to our Egyptian visitors, there are at present between 30 and 40 persons, mostly seamen, without employment in the Colony. The Night Shelter is tested to its utmost capacity every night. It is a pity that there is no properly organized scheme by which these men might be sent where labour is more plentiful.

The news of the fixing up of the difficulty between France and China soon began to take effect this morning. The local manager of the China Merchant's Steam Navigation Company ordered the *Kiungping* to instantly return and continue running as before between Canton and Macao. He characterized the people who had been in such a hurry to take her off the line and lay her up, as having lost their heads; but there can be no doubt that when the native celestial gentleman in charge of the C. M. S. N. Co.'s interests here, gave the order for the return of the *Kiungping* he was well acquainted with the pacific tenor of the telegram in this morning.

A PRIVATE letter from Manila has been received here per S.S. *Bianca*, which arrived this morning, giving some further information concerning the loss of the Spanish cruiser *Gravina*. The *Gravina* left Manila on the 8th inst., for Hongkong and was wrecked a few days after on the North of Luzon. One officer and a number of the crew are said to have been lost and the vessel is a total loss. Particulars of the casualty were not known in Manila up to the departure of the *Bianca*, but it is believed that the steamer *Aragon*, which left Manila later on the 15th inst. for this port, will bring fuller information.

The *Dedication*, which arrived from Foochow this morning, brings intelligence that the French cruiser *Hermione* had gone ashore on a bank of Spiteful Island, and was so badly injured that she may not be of further use. She was got off with the aid of her own engines on the 14th, the day after she went ashore, and she succeeded in reaching the Foochow Anchorage in safety, but with the water in her engine rooms. The French Admiral was at Foochow when the *Dedication* left, and active preparations for defence were being made by the Chinese at the port. The *Martin* unsuccessfully endeavoured to tow the *Hermione* off, before she got off with the help of her own engines. It is said the *Hermione* has broken her back.

A serious affray took place this morning on the Panya, before the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's offices, arising over some dispute between Chinchee men and fishmongers and ending in a free fight with bamboo and any kind of weapons that could be seized. Some bones and heads were broken, and the conflict was not altogether devoid of a certain amount of bloodshed.

This is a mistake. There is not a quarter of the globe, excepting perhaps South America, to which copies of this journal, or of its mail issue, are not regularly posted. It may interest some of our readers to know that in London alone, among the journals subscribing to the *China Mail*, are the *Times*, the *Standard*, the *Daily*

News, *Public Opinion*, *Mitchell's Maritime Register*, and other newspapers of lesser note. Nearly all the leading newspapers in India, and Australia also either subscribe to, or exchange with, this journal, and we even exchange with newspapers published in South Africa.

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U. S. MAIL LINE
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THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
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AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

The U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
NEW YORK will be despatched for
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the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.,
taking Passengers and Freight for Japan,
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Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to London and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Dominican, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa)
within six months, will be allowed a discount
of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking
within one year, an allowance of 10% will
be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return
Passage Orders, available for one year, will
be issued at 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply
to through fares from China and Japan to
Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the 22nd instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day. All Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Complaints Invoices to accompany Cargo
designed to ports beyond San Francisco
should be sent to the Company's Offices in
Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector
of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passages
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 60A, Queen's Road Central,
Agent.

Hongkong, July 2, 1884. 1090

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZI,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK
SEA PORTS,
NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
LONDON AND ANTWERP.

ON THURSDAY, the 24th July,
1884, ab Nuit, the Company's S. S.
LAOUADDY, Commandant P. G. QUILIN,
with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 25th July, 1884.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 23rd July, 1884. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent,

Hongkong, July 11, 1884. 1152

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
proposed to grant Insurances as follows:

MARINE Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

LIFE Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurance will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1,000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton,
Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
Risks on First Class Godowns at 1
per cent, net premium per annum.

NORTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 15, 1881. 938

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM- PANY, LTD.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to grant Policies on MAKING
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 860

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In the following Statements and Tables
the Rates are given in cents, and are for
Letters per half ounce, for Books and
Periodicals, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight
are charged as double, triple, &c., as the
case may be, but such parcels are forwarded
as one, nor more, weighing whatever be inserted
except book fids Supplements. Printed
matter may, however, be enclosed, if the
whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current
may be paid either as Newspapers or
Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers
as though Written by Hand, do not bear
the character of an article or personal cor-
respondence, and in invoices, deeds copied
number, &c. The charge on them is the same
as for books, but, whatever the weight of
a packet containing any partially written
paper, it will not be charged less than 5
cents.

The public are cautioned not to con-
fuse these facilities with a *Parcel Post* to
Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules
be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be
registered or unregistered, can be received
for Postage if it contains gold or silver
money, jewels, precious articles, or anything
else, as a general rule, is liable to
Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of
Patterns of dutiable articles, unless
the quantity sent be so small as to make the
sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as
follows:—

Books and Papers to British Offices
5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.

Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. if with
out intrinsic value; to the Continen-
&c., 2 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible
for the safe delivery of Registered corre-
spondence, but it is prepared to make good the
cost of such correspondence lost while
passing through the Post, to the extent of
\$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the
conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed
in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the
Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately
the loss was discovered, the envelope
being invariably forwarded with such applica-
tion unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied
that the loss occurred whilst the corre-
spondence was in the custody of the British
Postal administration in China, that it was
not caused by any fault on the part of the
sender, by destruction by fire or shipwreck,
nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any
persons not in the employment of the
Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere
damage to fragile articles such as portraits,
watchbands, handbills, bound books, &c.,
which reach their destination, although in
a broken or deteriorated condition.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents per ½ oz.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and 2 cents per 2 oz.

Com. Papers, 1 cent per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected corre-
spondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and
Fiji, via Torts Straits, Letters, 10; Regis-
tration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Patterns, 2; Via Ceylon, Letters, 25; Regis-
tration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns,
2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension,
Trinidad, Letters, 25; Registration, 10;
Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

Chair, Jinricksha, and Boat
Hire.

LEGALIZED TARIF OF FAIRIES FOR CHAIRS,
CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS,
IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Palliway Boats.
Half hour, ... 10 cts.
Hour, ... 20 cts.
Three hours, ... 50 cts.
Six hours, ... 70 cts.
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA PEAK.
Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00

Three Coolies, ... 85

Two Coolies, ... 70

Return (direct or by Fuk-fu Lam).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.50

Three Coolies, ... 1.20

Two Coolies, ... 1.00

TO VICTORIA PEAK.
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The Return Fare embraces a trip of not
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For every hour or part of an hour above
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TO VICTORIA PEAK, ... \$0.75 each Coolie.
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Per trip to Shantung or Puk-tuk-ham,
from the centre of the Town, ... 20

Return, ... 15

Per trip to Aberdeen, from the cen-
tre of the Town, ... 25

Return, ... 20

Per trip to Kowloon, ... 20

Return, ... 15

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 6
p.m. on any work day for addresses in
Victoria will be delivered the same day,
and generally within two hours, unless the
delivery should be retarded by the Contract
Mails.

2. Invitations, &c. can generally be deliv-
ered within Victoria at the private
houses of the addressees rather than at
places of business, if a wish to that effect
be expressed by the sender, otherwise all
correspondence is invariably delivered at
the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circu-
lars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, &c.,
all of some weight, to addresses in
Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of
China, may deliver them to the Post
Office unfranked, the postage being then
charged to the sender's account. Each
box must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns
to the same places in the same way. En-
velopes containing Patterns may be wholly
closed, if the nature of the contents first
exhibited or stated to the Postmaster
General, he may consider necessary, and
approved by him. Printed Circulars may
be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public are reminded that
there is no such thing as a *Parcel Post* to
Europe, &c. Much trouble and dis-
appointment are caused by postmen ad-
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或由本人亲自投递。

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